

Commodity Advisory Council (CAC) Meeting  
September 23, 1999  
Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Julia Bauscher at 10:15a.m. CST.  
CAC Members present were:

Chair-Person	Julia Bauscher	Region 8 Rep	Jane Smith
Vice-Chair	Glen Vanwinkle	Region 9 Rep	Barbara Tarver
Secretary	Absent	Independent Sch Rep	Charolette White
Region 1 Rep.	Victor Steffen	Private Sch Rep	Absent
Region 3 Rep.	Susan Gipson	Industry Rep	Absent
Region 4 Rep	Carol McQueen	Education Rep	Absent
Region 5 Rep	Eleanor Hall	Food Distribution	Teresa Ulery
Region 6 Rep	Sondra Jackson		Beverly Benifield
Region 7 Rep	Katrina Crutcher		

Teresa presented the agenda for the day and asked for reports from each CAC members. The reports are as follows:

- ◆ Region 1 - Victor Steffen - contacted 22 SFAs
  - ◆ Silver Grove Independent School is interested in processing Chicken, needs guidance on the procedures.
  - ◆ Covington Independent Schools questioned if electronic thermometers were sufficient (do they need to continue to record and initial temperatures).
- ◆ Region 2 - Julia Bauscher
  - ◆ B059 Cheese Sliced received in August is moldy.
    - ◆ *Ask that Julia send a commodity complaint, when she returned so that this can be reported to the Complaint Hotline.*
    - ◆ When will the new Food Buying Guide be distributed?
- ◆ Region 3 - Susan Gipson
  - ◆ No complaints or problems at this time.
  - ◆ Following items have been of excellent quality: Frozen Sliced Strawberries, Canned Green Beans, Frozen Ground Beef and Processed Cheese.
  - ◆ Recipient agencies or Browns Food Service Company has reported no delivery problems.
  - ◆ August Administrator's Conference was very informative.
  - ◆ Fresh fruit and vegetables working well this school year.
  - ◆ Existing commodity works well.
  - ◆ Served Prunes by covering with chocolate candy coating, children loved the chocolate.
- ◆ Region 4 - Carol McQueen - 16 SFAs contacted - received 12 responses
  - ◆ All very pleased with commodities received.
- ◆ Region 5 - Eleanor Hall
  - ◆ SFAs are very pleased with program and all commodities received so far this school year.
  - ◆ Ask that all members of CAC attend the KSFS meeting, October 17-20, 1999. DRG Company will sponsor a wine and cheese party, Sunday night, October 17.
- ◆ Region 6 - Sondra Jackson - See attached notes
  - ◆ Problems receiving fresh produce from H & S
  - ◆ *State Office will check with DOD about the timeframe on which the vendor has to pick-up bad products.*

- ◆ Region 7 - Katrina Crutcher
  - ◆ Receiving fresh produce from H & S in zip-lock bags instead of vacuum packed containers.
- ◆ Region 8 - Jane Smith
  - ◆ Somerset Food Service is doing an excellent job in delivery commodities.
- ◆ Region 9 - Barbara Tarver
  - ◆ No complaints on commodities or the program.
  - ◆ Distributor has changed delivery days, with no explanation. Changed from 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> week to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> week.
- ◆ Independent Schools - Charlotte White
  - ◆ Very happy with the program as it is.
- ◆ Private Schools          Absent - No Report
- ◆ Industry Representative - Absent
- ◆ Teresa covered the following:
  - ◆ Commodities ordered through March 2000.
  - ◆ Explained new Food Requisition Form.
    - ◆ All approved the use of the new form, but suggested that meetings be held to explain how this form is different and how to complete.
    - ◆ Explained the warning label on cases of Frozen Sliced Strawberries.
- ◆ Distributed the following information:
  - ◆ Commodity Improvement Information
  - ◆ Increase price on Cheese
  - ◆ Group A & Group B percentages changed from 83% -17% to 80% - 20%.
  - ◆ Bonus Salmon pouches ordered 2 trucks
  - ◆ Commercially labeled commodities are being shipped to schools. These items are considered commodities and must be kept separate from purchased inventory.
  - ◆ One truck of Orange Juice ordered for reprocessing. Contact Terry Flangan of Shamrock if you are interested in having orange juice processed into 172/4 oz cups.
  - ◆ Clovervale will be performing rebates for any school who buys Clovervale yogurts or sherbets. Each district that purchases Clovervale yogurts and sherbets may complete a rebate form. This form will be mailed within the next two weeks.

Broke for lunch at 11:45 a.m. CST.

Continued meeting at 1:05 p.m. CST

- ◆ Distributed the following materials:
  - ◆ Booklet containing the CORE June Report, Food Distribution Issues, Results of Food Distribution Survey on CORE and the Final CORE Report.
  - ◆ ACDA Issue Papers
  - ◆ School Nutrition Professional
  - ◆ Gold Kist CORE Issues
  - ◆ Addresses of People to write to concerning CORE.
- ◆ Questions posed by the Commodity Advisory Council:
  - ◆ How much time will be required on-line?
  - ◆ Who do we report inferior product to and how will this be handled (replaced, refund or just a loss to the SFAs)?
  - ◆ Are we forgetting our customers (students)?

- ◆ What is the timeframe for receiving rebates?
- ◆ Who will pay the up front cost? (Small districts may not be able to foot the cost.)
- ◆ Who are schools to report commodity complaints to?
- ◆ How will claims over a \$100 be handled?
- ◆ Who or how will schools pay the salary of new personnel required to input orders into a computer system?
- ◆ How do you educated a new person in a short time frame, what it took some of us 20 or more years to learn?
- ◆ What if you do not like the product you receive?

Glen Vanwinkle announced that he would be retiring in December 1999 and that he would need to be replaced as Vice-Chair.

The following have completed their term on the Commodity Advisory Council:

- ◆ Carol McQueen of Clay County will succeed region 4 - Debbie Caudill.
- ◆ Region 6 - Sondra Jackson - No replacement at this time.
- ◆ Joyce Alexander of Edmonson County will succeed region 8 - Jane Smith.

Carol and Joyce will serve a two-year term on the Council, we are glad to have them as a part of the CAC.

Many thanks to Glenn, Debbie, Sondra and Jane for serving on the CAC, your input has been an asset to the Council.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m. CST.